Claims

What is claimed is:

1. In a data-replication system including a plurality of computers on at least one network, each of said computers maintaining a substantially similar database thereon, a method applicable for execution on said computers for filtering requests over said at least one network comprising the steps of:

capturing each of said requests;

determining the consequences of said request; and

precluding storing said consequences of said request when said request matches known criteria.

- 2. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said request is a delete request.
- 3. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said criteria is associated with a known time period.
- 4. The method as recited in claim 3, wherein said time period is selected from the group consisting of: days, weeks, months, years.
- 5. The method as recited in claim 4, wherein said time period is six (6) months.
- 6. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein operation of said method is selected from the group consisting of: automatic, manual, fixed interval.
- 7. A system for filtering requests over at least one network comprising:

a processor in communication with a memory, said processor operable to execute code for the operations of:

capturing each of said requests;

determining the consequences of said request; and

precluding storing said consequences of said request when said request matches known criteria.

- 8. The system as recited in claim 7, wherein said request is a delete request.
- 9. The system as recited in claim 7, wherein said criteria is associated with a known time period.
- 10. The system as recited in claim 9, wherein said time period is selected from the group consisting of: days, weeks, months, years.
- 11. The system as recited in claim 10, wherein said time period is six (6) months.
- 12. The system as recited in claim 7, wherein said processor is further operable to execute code to perform said operations from the group consisting of: automatically, manually, fixed interval.
- 13. The system as recited in claim 7, further comprising:an I/O device in communication with said processor and/or said memory.
- 14. The system as recited in claim 7, wherein said code is stored in said memory.